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MEDIA ADVISORY

Falls Church City Civil War Day in Cherry Hill Park

Saturday, May 19, 2007

FALLS CHURCH, VA. - The City of Falls Church will host Civil War Day -- a living-history event depicting the Falls Church homefront during the Civil War -- on Saturday, May 19, 2007. This free event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Cherry Hill Park, located at 312 Park Ave. in Falls Church City.

Check out drilling and firing demonstrations, living history presentations, a Civil War music concert, box lunches, and free admission to the Civil War era farmhouse throughout the day. Featured events include:

Civilians Under Siege – Listen to true stories of residents who first fled the Confederate army and returned to find Union soldiers encamped in their fields.

The Life of a Soldier – Discover life in camp, hear soldiers' letters home, and explore medical practices.

Spy Stories High & Low – Learn about local spies arrested in town and Thaddeus Lowe's aerial surveillance from his balloon launched in Falls Church.

Ladies Rally to the Cause – Experience a living-history demonstration of the Ladies Sanitary Commission.

Children's Activities – Games and drilling exercises.

Local Civil War Sites Bus Tour – 10 a.m. Call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711) for reservations.

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Featured events (continued):

Box Lunch and Concert on the Patio – Noon. Advanced tickets for lunch can be ordered at the Falls Church Community Center (223 Little Falls St.) or by calling 703-248-5171 (TTY 711).

For more information, please call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711). This event is sponsored by the Victorian Society of Falls Church, the Falls Church Historical Commission, and the Falls Church City Recreation & Parks Division.

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